

MINUTES FOR REGULAR MEETING FEBRUARY 15, 2022

The Board of Commissioners of Water Works District 1, of Ward 1, of Calcasieu Parish, met for a Regular meeting held Tuesday, February 15, 2022, at 7:00 p.m. in the Water Works District office located at 265 Parish Road in Moss Bluff.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Boo O’Quinn, Glen Franklin, Donna DeBarge, Joshua Thomas and Tim Aguiard

SUPERINTENDENT: Gerald Hoffpauir

FOREMAN: Grant Avery

Mr. Boo O’Quinn called the meeting to order. A motion was made by Mr. Glen Franklin and seconded by Mrs. Donna DeBarge to accept the Minutes for the Agenda Meeting held February 8, 2022 as presented. The motion carried with all yeas and no nays. Mr. Hoffpauir read the Status Report for the Month of December 2021. There were 8,732 active accounts. Mr. Hoffpauir read the Financial Report for the Month of January 2021 prepared by Steirman Whitfield & Company. The Water District received 55.23% in revenues over expenses budgeted year to date.

The Board reviewed 2020 Water Fluoridation Quality Awards for Plants A & B issued by the U.S. Department of Health & Services Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. The awards recognize communities that achieve excellence in water fluoridation by maintaining a consistent level of fluoridated water throughout the year. Water Works District No. 1 was one of 25 systems in Louisiana to receive the award among 1,292 other public water systems in 29 states.

A discussion was held on management training.

The Board reviewed the Notice To Proceed Document for McGuire Iron Inc. to begin the Repainting Towers B & C Project.

The Board reviewed a plat for water service to Hidden Bluff Subdivision. A discussion was held to revise the proposed subdivision in accordance to the District’s requirements.

The Board reviewed Pay Estimate No. 1 from Meyer & Associates for engineering work on the Plant B Filter Scan Project.

Mr. Hoffpauir informed the Board that he attended a Parish Grant Management Meeting for the American Rescue Plan Act. The Parish has retained Postlewaite & Netterville Consults to facilitate project management and help Districts with meeting the Federal and State requirements for eligible projects.

A discussion was held on a follow-up to correspondence from the Water Sector Program requiring the securement of construction funds prior to releasing grant funding for engineering. Mr. Hoffpauir stated that Meyer & Associates was informed by the Director of Facility Planning that they are working to resolve the issue.

A discussion was held to apply for Police Jury Gaming Funds to partially fund the Pinewood Road Water Line Overlay Project as a final phase to loop a sufficient water supply to Indian Bayou Subdivision.

A discussion was held to apply for Police Jury Gaming Funds to finance relocation of the Water District's 12" water line located on Apostolic Church property to outside the limits of construction of the church's newly proposed building.

Mr. Hoffpauir informed the Board that the Department of Health has requested the Water District allow them to conduct training for their staff to implement an Area Wide Optimization Program. The opportunity will benefit both parties by promoting best practices and techniques to optimizing distribution systems.

A motion was made by Mr. Glen Franklin and seconded by Mr. Tim Aguiard to authorize the President to execute the Notice To Proceed document for McGuire Iron Inc. to begin the Repainting Towers B & C Project. The motion carried with all yeas and no nays.

A motion was made by Mrs. Donna DeBarge and seconded by Mr. Glen Franklin to allow water service to Hidden Bluff Subdivision, contingent upon the specifications are in accordance to the Water District's specifications. The motion carried with all yeas and no nays.

A motion was made by Mr. Joshua Thomas and seconded by Mr. Tim Aguiard to authorize payment to Meyer & Associates in the amount of \$2,544.75 for Pay Estimate No. 1 on the Plant B Filter Scan Project. The motion carried with all yeas and no nays.

A motion was made by Mrs. Donna DeBarge and seconded by Mr. Glen Franklin to approve of a resolution for application of Calcasieu Parish Police Jury Gaming Funds to partially fund the Pinewood Road Water Line Overlay Project. The motion carried with all yeas and no nays.

A motion was made by Mrs. Donna DeBarge and seconded by Mr. Joshua Thomas to approve of a resolution for application of the Calcasieu Parish Police Jury Gaming Funds to finance the Highway 171 – Apostolic Church Water Line Relocation Project. The motion carried with all yeas and no nays.

A motion was made by Mr. Glen Franklin and seconded by Mrs. Donna DeBarge to authorize approval to participate in the Area Wide Optimization Program conducted by the Department of Health. The motion carried with all yeas and no nays.

There being no further business, a motion was made by Mr. Glen Franklin and seconded by Mrs. Donna DeBarge to adjourn. The motion carried with all yeas and no nays.

Donna DeBarge, Secretary Treasurer of
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